## **CERTS MicroGrid**

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#### **Research Goals**

- Enable high levels of DER penetration
- Provide value to both the customer and the bulk power provider
- \* Insure **system** stability & reliable.
- Provide DER placement flexibility to optimize use of waste heat
- Design plug-and-play functionality into the DER
- Minimal dependences on communications





### MicroGrid:

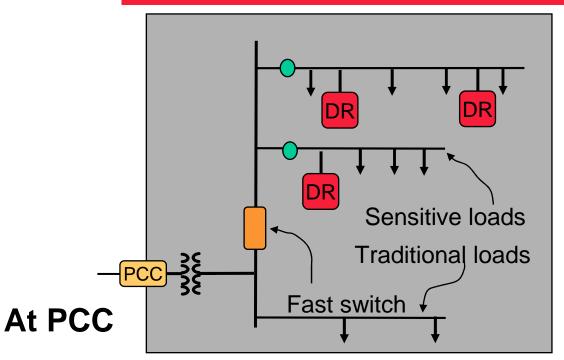
## **A Conceptual Solution**

- Clusters sources with loads
- Single controllable unit
- Has a system focus
- Can operate in parallel or islanded
- Pier-to-pier source model (no master element)
- Source controllers use local information
- Designed to optimize use of waste heat





# MicroGrid



#### MicroGrid Side

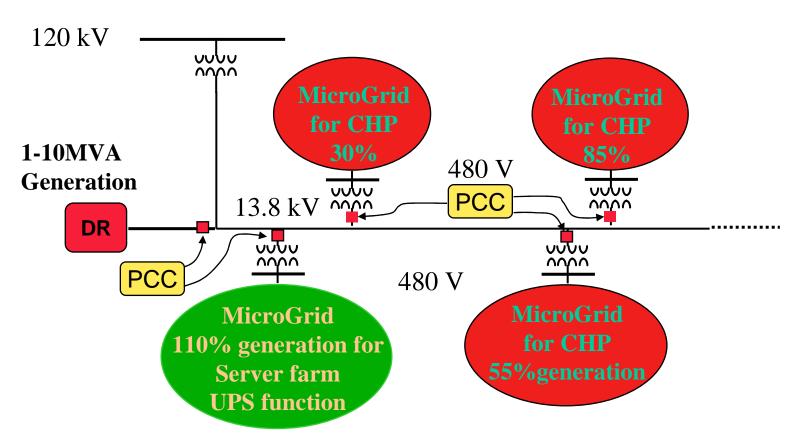
- Local voltage control
- Power flow control
- Use of waste heat
- UPS functions
- Local redundancy

- Dispatchable load
- ❖Real-time pricing
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## Multiple MicroGrids







## **Research Activities**

#### **Analyses & Modeling Tools Development:**

- Planning
- Local stability
- Customer adoption model (economics)

#### **MicroGrid Test Bed:**

- Demonstrate control & protection concepts
- Study operation, stability and power quality issues

#### Inclusion of non-inverter sources in Microgrids:





# **Control Requirements**

#### All operating cases (P/V control)

- Control feeder power
- Provide voltage control with droop

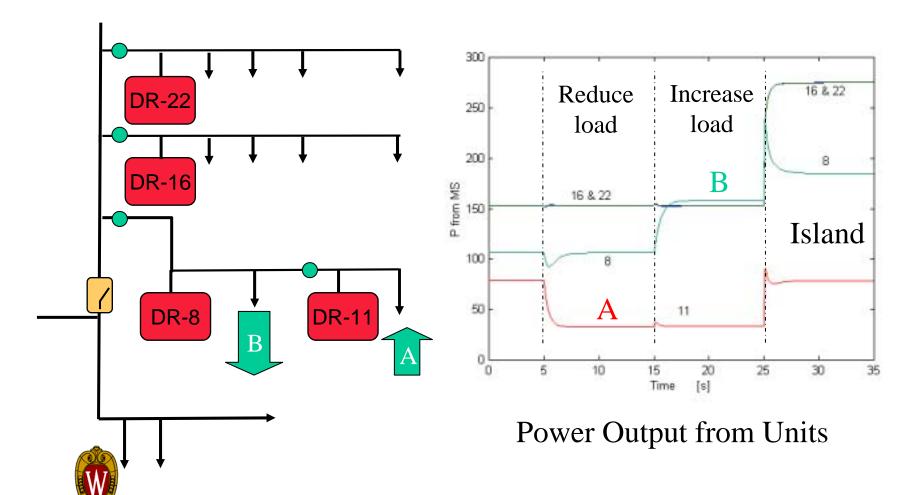
#### Island operation

 Provide power vs. frequency droop to track load's power needs

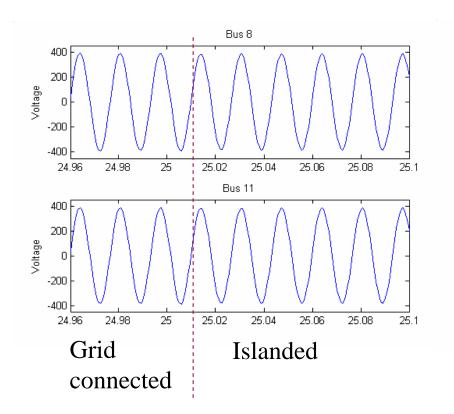


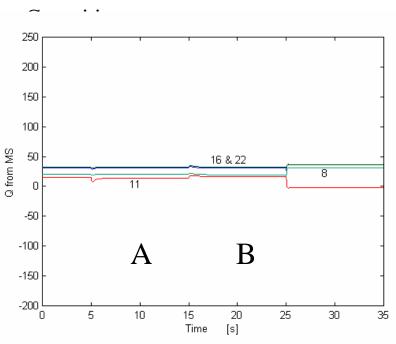


## **Example of Control Response**



## AC voltage & reactive power



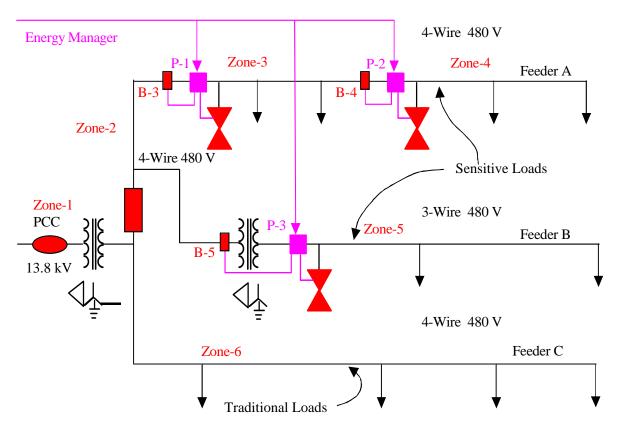


all units have V-Q droop





# **Microgrid Test Bed**



#### Grid connected

- Load changes
- Control of load flow
- Voltage control
- Protection
- P/V dispatch

#### Isolated operation

- Separation
- Load pick-up
- Voltage and Q control
- Protection
- Automatic re-syn.



Microsource



Power Flow Controller



Breaker



# **Microgrid Activities**

#### **DOE/CERTS**

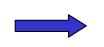
**CEC/DOE** 

Control concepts



Micro turbine modification

Test site concept Protection concepts Energy manager Planning tools



Test bed design



Identification of test site



Field demonstrations





## Conclusion

CERTS MicroGrid concepts are well developed and will soon be tested in a controlled laboratory setting.

We are interested in recruiting potential partners of field demonstrations to get involved NOW to ensure that the laboratory test resolve all key issues prior to moving into the field.

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